Publication of an Industrial Journal.

*1343 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha: With reference to the answer given to my question No. 265 answered on 8th September 1928, will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state what steps are being taken to publish an Industrial Journal and an Industrial Handbook for the purpose of advertising, popularizing and encouraging various industries?

A.—The suggestion was considered but as the specialist staff of the Industries Department is small and no central research institute is maintained by it, it would not be possible to secure a regular and sustained supply of suitable material for the publication of a periodical journal.

Information on industrial subjects in the possession of the department is published from time to time in the form of bulletins which seem to be a better media for diffusing information.

Public Works

Increments to Upper Subordinates of long service.

*1344 Q.—Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state with reference to the answer to clause (*b*) of question No. 702 answered on 27th November 1928 regarding the increments to Upper Subordinates of long service—

(*a*) whether the reply of the Chief Engineer has since been received;
(*b*) if so, whether the same will be placed on the Council table;
(*c*) whether the Government have passed any orders thereon; and
(*d*) if so, whether the same will be placed on the Council table?

A.—(*a*) to (*d*) Proposals for the grant of increments to temporary upper subordinates have since been received and are under consideration.

Proposed appointment of Mr. Harvey as the head of the Madras Sanitary Engineering department.

*1345 Q.—Mr. S. Satyamurti: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to appoint Mr. Harvey of Bombay as the head of the Sanitary department at Madras; and
(*b*) the reasons why an outsider is sought to be brought in?

A.—(*a*) There is no proposal under the consideration of Government to appoint Mr. T. Harvey as head of the Sanitary Engineering department in Madras.

(*b*) Mr. Harvey is an officer of the Madras Public Works Department.

Mr. S. Satyamurti:—"May I know if any appointment has been since made?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar:—"Yes, Sir."

Mr. S. Satyamurti:—"May I know who the appointed person is?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar:—"Mr. Thuraisingam for the acting vacancy."